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Who Knows?

To the Editor:

Congressman MacGregor has recently been announcing to the world that he has been right all along on Cuba, by his advocating of the "search and seizure" method, while I was supposed to be wrong because I advocated a policy of backing the President, and that the President would be in a better position to know what is necessary than a relatively uninformed congressman.

The President has access to the information from the Intelligence services, from the C.I.A. and from the National Security Council. Thus he is in a position to know at any time the strength of the Communist forces anywhere at anytime; our relative strength in different areas of the globe, and estimates on the real Communist purpose behind apparent moves.

No congressman knows this; and it is a good thing they don't since, judging from the way some of them talk, the Soviets would also know these facts in a hurry.

For example, just before the Cuban crises, we were pulling troops out of Vietnam and Laos; we put the Berlin troops on maneuvers in West Germany, and we shifted our plane and troop concentration to the South. It may have been that we were preparing an action on Cuba, but were waiting for the proper moment. It may have been that when Red China invaded India, thus tending to tie down Russia near home, this was considered to be the proper time.

What, I ask you, would Congressman MacGregor know about these things? His demand for action, if followed by public opinion, could have forced the President's hand before the proper time, and be a fatal step for this country and the cause of freedom.

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If I am elected, I promise not to be guilty of exploiting public passions in exchange for votes. I will not offer military advice to the President and publicly condemn the President's military position while he has access to all the facts. The time has come for responsibility in the Third District Congressman's chair, and if elected, I promise a return to that responsibility.

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